





## Insurances.

**THE LONDON ASSURANCE.**  
Incorporated by Royal Charter of His Majesty King George the First, A.D. 1720.  
The Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—  
**Marine Department.**  
Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.  
**Fire Department.**  
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.  
**Life Department.**  
Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.  
**HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.**  
Hongkong, July 25, 1887. 496

**QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.**  
The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.  
**NORTON & Co., Agents.**  
Hongkong, July 15, 1887. 1840

**NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.**  
The Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to insure against FIRE at Current Rates.  
**GILMAN & Co.**  
Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

**To-day's Advertisements.**  
**NOTICE.**  
Owing to the bad state of the weather, there will be NO PERFORMANCE at the Circus TO-NIGHT.  
**L. MAYA, Secretary.**  
Bowrington, East Point, Hongkong, August 26, 1887. 1625

**CHIARINI'S GRAND CIRCUS, MENAGERIE, AND CONGRESS OF WONDERS.**  
The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.  
**GILMAN & Co.**  
Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

**OPEN EVERY NIGHT.**  
At 8 p.m., commencing at 9 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAYS.**  
Two performances, one at 4 p.m., and the other at 9 p.m. Doors opening at 3 and at 8 p.m.  
**GRAND AND BRILLIANT CHANGE OF PROGRAMME.**  
EXCELLENT DISPLAY OF DARING SKILL AND DEXTERITY BY THE LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE LINDSEY COMBINATION OF WONDERS AND THE VALUABLE AGGREGATION OF FORMIDABLE WILD BEASTS.

**TO-MORROW.**  
NEW EQUESTRIAN SCENES.  
NEW WILD ANIMALS AND THEIR TRAINERS.  
NEW MANIA PONIES EDUCATED BY SIGNOR CHIARINI.  
NEW JAPANESE MARVELS FROM THE MIKADO'S OWN THEATRE, TOKIO.  
DON'T MISS A TREAT OF THIS KIND!  
**L. MAYA, Secretary.**  
Hongkong, August 26, 1887. 1896

**State of GEORGE AUGUSTUS KINLOCH HONEY, late of Manila, deceased.**  
ALL Persons having CLAIMS against the above Estate, are requested to send them in to the Undersigned on or before the 25th NOVEMBER NEXT, or they will not be recognized.  
**T. H. WHITEHEAD, F. W. MARSHALL, JOHN FOWLER, Administrators.**  
26th August, 1887. 1622

**THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
**NOTICE** is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY General Meeting will be held at the Company's Office, Praya, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 22nd September, 1887, at Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon, when the Special Resolution passed at the Extraordinary Meeting held To-day will be submitted for Confirmation.  
**RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.**  
Hongkong, August 26, 1887. 1624

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.  
The Steamship Japan having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Hongkong and Whampoa Wharf and Godown Company's West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.  
Cargo remaining undelivered after 1st Proximo will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Consignees are hereby informed that all Claims must be made immediately, as none will be entertained after the 30th Instant. Bills of Lading will be countermanded by  
**DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.**  
Hongkong, August 26, 1887. 1620

**STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS.**  
The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship *Venice* will leave for the above places on MONDAY, 29th Inst., at 3 p.m., instead of as previously advertised.  
**E. L. WOODIN, Acting Superintendent.**  
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, August 26, 1887. 1623

## To-day's Advertisements.

**FOR CHEFOO, TIENTSIN AND NEWCHANG.**  
The Steamship *Velox*, Captain KATZEN, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 28th Instant, at 4 p.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**HANG SHUN CHEONG.**  
Hongkong, August 26, 1887. 1616

**THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
**FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.**  
The Steamship *Zafra*, Captain TAYLOR, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 29th Instant, at 4 p.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.**  
Hongkong, August 26, 1887. 1617

**THE GIBB LINE OF STEAMERS.**  
**FOR SYDNEY (DIRECT) AND MELBOURNE.**  
(Fishing through Cargo for QUEENSLAND PORTS: ADELAIDE, TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, &c.)  
The British Steamship *Pathan*, Captain JAS. ROWLEY, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 31st Instant, at 4 p.m.  
The Steamer has excellent Accommodation for First-class Passengers. Fare to Sydney or Melbourne, \$150.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Managers.**  
Hongkong, August 26, 1887. 1626

**FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.**  
The Steamship *Japan*, Captain T. S. GARDNER, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 1st Proximo, at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.**  
Hongkong, August 26, 1887. 1619

**NOTICE.**  
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.  
PAQUEBOT-POSTE FRANÇAIS.  
The Co.'s Steamship *Saghalien*, Commandant HOMBRY, will be despatched for SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA shortly after her arrival from Europe.  
**G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.**  
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The Steamship *Amoy*, Captain R. KÖNIG, will be despatched for the above Port on SUNDAY, the 28th Instant, at 4 p.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**SIEMSEN & Co.**  
Hongkong, August 26, 1887. 1618

**Not Responsible for Debts.**  
Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:  
**KALAS ROWE**, Hawaiian brig, Captain J. Phillips—Widder & Co.  
**ELIZABETH MORGAN**, British barque, Captain Geo. Falconer—Melchers & Co.  
**JAVAN**, British steamer, Captain T. S. Gardner—David Sassoon, Sons & Co.  
**KITTY**, British barque, Captain W. R. Lanco—Ordor.  
**TARAPAPA**, British steamer, Capt. John E. McArthur—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

**SHIPPING.**  
**ARRIVALS.**  
August 25, 1887.—  
*Pathan*, British steamer, 1,762 J. Rowley, Singapore and Surabaya Aug. 17, Sugar, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.  
August 26.—  
*Japan*, British steamer, 1,865 T. S. Gardner, Calcutta August 9, Penang 16 and Singapore 19, 1,220 chests Opium and 10,000 pkgs. General—DAVID SASSOON, Sons & Co.  
*Zafra*, British steamer, 514 R. M. Talbot, Manila August 23, General—RUSSELL & Co.  
*Kong-Reng*, British steamer, 862 F. W. Phillips, Bangkok August 20, General—YVES FAR HOO.  
*Batam*, Dutch steamer, 1,634 S. C. Scholten, Amoy August 25, General—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
*Atoll*, British steamer, 923 W. Coulter, Java August 18, Sugar—BURTFIELD & SWIRE.  
*Albany*, British steamer, 1,489 E. Porter, Samarang and Java August 17, Sugar, ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

**DEPARTURES.**  
August 26.—  
*Patamad*, for Amoy and Shanghai, Melita, for Cebu, Gililand, for Kobe, Carfax, for Shanghai, Thibet, for Yokohama.  
**CLEARED.**  
*Carmanthenshire*, for Singapore, Mount Lebanon, for Honolulu.  
**PASSENGERS.**  
*Per Japan*, from Calcutta, &c., Mrs. T. S. Gardner, Mr. N. N. J. Ears's 3 children.

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Per *Port Victor*, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 27th inst.  
FOR STRAITS & ROMBAI.—  
Per *Yokohama*, at 2.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 27th inst.  
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Per *Yokohama*, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 27th inst., instead of as previously notified.  
Per *Amoy*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 28th inst.  
FOR CHEFOO, TIENTSIN AND NEWCHANG.—  
Per *Yokohama*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 28th inst.

and European nurse, 4 natives, and 540 Chinese dock.  
Per *Fukien*, from Sydney, &c., Mr. and Mrs. Wolf and family, Messrs P. Lightwood and A. Bradley, and 32 Chinese.  
Per *Zafra*, from Manila, Messrs Carlos Roedel and Teodoro de Englebert, 1 European dock, and 160 Chinese.  
Per *Kong-Reng*, from Bangkok, 42 Chinese.  
Per *Batam*, from Amoy, 251 Chinese.  
DEPARTURE.  
Per *Thibet*, for Yokohama: from Hongkong, Major and Mrs. Champarnow, Sergeant Major Powell, and Mr. Jno. Dade, from Bombay, Mr. M. R. Trower, from Penang, H.E. The Governor of Kra, and servant, Messrs Khun Joo Ghee and Khun Joo Ohee, and 2 servants; from Singapore, 10 Japanese.  
Per *Canlon*, for Shanghai, Mr. Ed. Finlayson.  
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Per *Mount Lebanon*, for Honolulu, 40 Chinese.

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**CANADIAN PACIFIC LINE.**  
TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS  
TO JAPAN, CANADA, THE  
UNITED STATES, AND EUROPE,  
VIA  
THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY  
AND OTHER CONNECTING  
RAILWAY LINES, & STEAMERS.

THE Charter of the Steamship **PORT VICTOR**, 2,793 Tons Register, A. Williams, Commander, will be despatched for VANCOUVER, B. C., and KOREA and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 27th August, at 3 p.m.  
To be followed by **S.S. BATAVIA**, on the 24th September, and **ABYSSINIA**, on the 18th October.

These steamers, formerly in the CUNARD Service, lately re-fitted with new Engines and Boilers, and can maintain a speed of sea of from 13 to 14 knots.  
Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports, and at Vancouver with San Francisco and other Steamers of the **PACIFIC COAST STEAMSHIP COMPANY**.  
The attention of through passengers is drawn to the fact of the Canadian Pacific Railway being the best built and most splendidly equipped line ever constructed on the American Continent, and especially adapted for Steamer travelling.  
Consular Invoices for Goods to United States points should be made out in quadruplicate, and addressed to Mr. D. E. Brown, District Freight Agent, Vancouver, B.C., and sent to the office on board until 4 p.m. on the 26th August.

All Parcels must be sent to our Office, and should be marked to address in full, and the same will be received by us until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.  
For information as to Passage or Freight, apply to  
**ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,**  
Agents.

Hongkong, August 18, 1887. 1570

## U. S. MAIL LINE.

**PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**  
THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA  
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING  
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship **CITY OF SYDNEY** will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama and Honolulu, on WEDNESDAY, the 31st August, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Pacific Coast Ports, to Havanna, Trinidad, and other ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class fares granted as follows:  
To San Francisco and return, \$200.00  
To San Francisco and return, 350.00  
To Liverpool 338.00  
To London 338.00  
To other European ports at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10%. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day. All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50, Queen's Road Central.  
**C. D. HARMAN,**  
Agent.

Hongkong, August 12, 1887. 1587

## Occidental &amp; Oriental Steamship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS  
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STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND  
SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE,  
VIA  
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,  
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ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING  
STEAMERS.

THE Steamship **OCEANIA** will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 10th September, at 3 p.m.  
Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, and same will be received at the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

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**C. D. HARMAN,**  
Agent.

Hongkong, August 20, 1887. 1594

## Mails.

**NOTICE.**  
**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.**  
**PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.**

**STEAM FOR**  
**SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,**  
**COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY,**  
**MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ,**  
**PORT SAID,**  
**MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK**  
**SEA PORTS.**

**OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA:**  
**ALSO,**  
**LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX,**  
**DUNKIRK AND ANTWERP.**

ON THURSDAY, the 1st September, at Noon, the Company's Steamship **VOLGA**, Commandant BEVILACCA, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPOILS, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Spoils will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.  
Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.  
Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Spoils and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 31st August. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

**G. DE CHAMPEAUX,**  
Agent.  
Hongkong, August 20, 1887. 1592

## NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

## NOTICE.

**STEAM FOR**  
**SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN,**  
**SUEZ, PORT SAID, TRIESTE,**  
**BRINDISI, GENOA,**  
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**PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK**  
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**LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,**  
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**GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN**  
**PORTS.**

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON AND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

**N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.**

ON THURSDAY, the 1st September, at 4 p.m., the Company's Steamship **BAYERN**, Captain SANDEB, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPOILS, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Spoils and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 31st August. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are required.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess. For further particulars, apply to  
**MELOERS & Co.,**  
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Hongkong, August 8, 1887. 1489

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## Hongkong Rates of Postage.

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are for Letters per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, trouble, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of newspapers must not be folded together, or not must anything whatever be inserted except bona fide Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Current may be paid either as Newspapers or as Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though written by hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of a Registered Article for a Union Country may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers for Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed those dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

**Countries of the Postal Union.**  
The Union may be taken to comprise all civilized countries except the Australasian and Cape Colonies.

**Postage to Union Countries.**  
General Rate, by any route:—  
Letters, 10 cents per oz.  
Post Cards, 3 cents each.  
Registration, 10 cents.  
Newspapers, 2 cents each.  
Books, Patterns and 5 cents per 2 oz.  
Comm. Papers, 5 cents.

There is no charge on registered correspondence within the Postal Union.

**Postage to Non-Union Countries.**  
Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.  
S. Africa, Colonies—Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 5; Books and Patterns, 2.

**General Rate, by any route:—**  
Half hour 0.10 Three hours 0.70  
One hour 0.20 Six hours 1.40  
Day (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.) 81.  
If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

**BEYOND VICTORIA, WITH FOUR BEARERS.**  
Hour 1.60 Six hours 8.00  
Three hours 4.00 Day (6 to 9) 2.00

**Trishakhs.**  
(With single driver).  
Quarter hour 0.05 Hour 0.15  
Half hour 0.10 Every 10 minutes 0.10

**Notes.**—Victoria extends from Mount Denison to Causton Bay and up to the level of Robinson Road. If the vehicle is discharged beyond these limits half fare extra is to be allowed for the return journey. Extra drivers or drivers and extra hours to be paid proportionate sums.

## LOCAL POSTAGE.

General Local Rates for Hongkong, Macao, China, Japan, Siam direct (d), Coochin-China, Tonquin, and the Philippines:—  
Letters per 3 oz., 5 cents (c).  
Post Cards, each, 1 cent.  
Books and Patterns, per 2 oz., 2 cents.  
Newspapers and Prices Current, each, 2 cents.  
Registration, 5 cents.

(d) Via Singapore, 10 cents.  
(e) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 3 cents.

**Local Delivery.**  
1. All correspondence posted before 5 p.m. on any week day for addresses in Victoria will be delivered the same day, and generally within two hours, unless the delivery should be retarded by the Contract Mails.

2. Invitations, &c., generally to be delivered within Victoria at the private houses of the addressees rather than at places of business, if a wish to that effect be expressed by the sender, otherwise all correspondence is invariably delivered at the nearest place of business.

3. Bookholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of China, may deliver them to the Post Office unsealed, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must contain at least ten.

4. Bookholders may also send Patterns to the same place in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed, if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary; and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

The Post Office declines all responsibility for Unregistered Letters containing Bank Notes, Coin, or Jewellery, and where Registration has been neglected, WILL MAKE NO ENQUIRIES into alleged losses of such letters.

**Parcel Post to the United Kingdom.**  
Parcels not exceeding 11 lbs. in weight are received in Hongkong and at British Post Offices in China, for transmission to the United Kingdom by P. & O. Packet *via Gibraltar*. No parcel is sent with the Overland Mail *via Brindisi*. Parcels therefore arrive in London about eight days later than the Mail.

Parcels must be completely sealed, but any parcel, even though sealed, is liable to be opened for examination.

Parcels must be posted in Hongkong before 3 p.m. on the day before the departure of the Mail. Those arriving from the Coast, &c., after 3 p.m. are kept for the following day, P. & O. Mail.

The Postage is 25 cents per lb., which includes Registration fee, and must be prepaid in stamps. No further charge is made in the United Kingdom except for Customs dues. No parcel must be more than 3 feet 6 inches in length, or 2 feet 6 inches in greatest length and girth combined. A receipt is given for each Parcel.

The sender must fill up a form of Customs Declaration, which can be obtained free at each Post Office. No parcel can be sent unless this is completely and accurately filled. The only articles ordinarily sent from China which are liable to duty are Tea, Tobacco, and Gold and Silver plate.

Dangerous or perishable goods, articles likely to injure the Mails, Liquids (unless securely packed), and articles easily crushed, such as band-boxes, are prohibited. No Parcel can be received if its value exceeds \$20. A Parcel may contain a letter to the same address as that of the Parcel itself, or another Parcel to the same address.

No other correspondence allowed. With regard to inward Parcels, addressees are requested to observe that the Parcel Mail is not opened until the ordinary distribution of letters, &c., is finished. The postage on Parcels at home is 10d. per lb., the Regulations are generally similar to the above, and the Parcels are sent out *via Gibraltar*.

**Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.**  
The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.  
2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.  
3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it is also lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, or by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for more than one article of value, such as portraits, watches, handkerchiefs, bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

**Misnot or Delayed Correspondence.**  
When correspondence has been misnot or delayed (both of which are liable to happen occasionally) all that the addressee need do is to note on the cover, *Not to be opened*, or *Received at 7 p.m.*, or as the case may be, and forward it, without any other writing whatever, to the Postmaster General. This should be acted on the first time cause of complaint occurs; it is a mistake to keep such letters for fear of giving trouble, a course which generally gives more trouble in the end.

**Fees for Public Vehicles.**  
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## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A, near the Kowloon shore B, and those in the body of the Harbour C.

Shipping or midway between each shore are marked D, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

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